

FORTUNES IN JEWELS FOR MISS BIDDLE

Continued from Page One. It hangs to the waist and the perfect stones of matchless blue are set in platinum. Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Duke presented Miss Biddle with a string of audacious pearls of incalculable value, and Mr. and Mrs. James Duke, of New York, the bridegroom's uncle and aunt, sent a bracelet of intricate design encrusted with diamonds.

The bride will wear an exquisite gown of white tulle and trimmed with orange blossoms. The bodice is fashioned of the tulle and is outlined about the neck with orange blossoms and has a girle of the orange blossoms. The long court train is trimmed with blossoms and exquisite lace. Her veil will be of tulle and will be edged with tiny orange blossoms and she will carry a basket of the valley in a shower.

An unusual feature of the wedding procession will be the entrance of the bridesmaids and ushers from the side door of the church, on Walnut street, where the bride and her father are entering the door on 15th street. The bridesmaids and ushers will proceed down the aisle, meet Mr. Biddle and Miss Biddle, and then return, preceding them in the customary manner.

THE LOST INVITATIONS. About 25 per cent. of the original invitations were lost in the Philadelphia Post-office. Then, when this was learned, only a week ago, cards were sent out to many of those who it was believed had not received invitations. Some many "on the list" did not receive these, and, as it is a card wedding, that is, entrance to the church being obtained by showing a card, it was doubtful if any one who presented himself or herself at the church, without a card, but declaring that he or she had received invitations by word of mouth from Mr. or Mrs. Biddle, could properly be turned away without risk of offending old friends.

Then, for the handling of the hundreds of automobiles and carriages, there must be provided expert police work to prevent the blocking of Walnut street from a quarter before 4 o'clock until 5 o'clock, and after. For, after the wedding, a reception will be held at 4:30 o'clock at Mrs. Biddle's home, two blocks out Walnut street, and there will hardly be a moment between these hours that the two blocks will not be packed with automobiles, crossing and recrossing the tracks, taking guests to and from the church and to the reception and away from it again.

After the reception a dinner dance will be given for the bridal party by Mrs. and Mr. Henry Brinton Cox at their country house, at Pennlyn. And then Mr. and Mrs. Angier B. Duke will go away, but of course nobody knows where. The bride, Miss Cordelia Biddle, is 17 years old. It has been reported that she would not have made her debut last December if it had not been for the war. She kept her from going to school in Paris, as had been planned. Instead of this tedious school work, Miss Biddle immediately became the center of a number of big society events. Dinners and dances were given for her by the Stotesburys, the Drexels, the Van Rensselaers and the Coxes, and in the first week in February her engagement was announced.

Angier B. Duke is more than 12 years older than Miss Biddle. He is 30 years old. He is the nephew of James Buchanan Duke, who in 1881 organized the American Tobacco Company, of which he was president until 1912. Upon the great profits of this company the Duke estates are founded. Mr. Duke's father and mother are Benjamin N. and Sarah Angier Duke. The Biddle fortune is not comparable to that of the Dukes. Mr. Biddle inherited about \$1,000,000 from his grandfather and unless he greatly increased it since he came into possession of this sum, he has now probably less than he inherited.

Mr. Duke has not had a spectacular career. He did not go to a big university, but was educated at Trinity College, in the town in which he was born, Durham, N. C. He was graduated in 1896 and entered upon his business career in Durham as the treasurer of the Durham and Southern Railroad Company. Since 1908 he has lived in New York city, where, in association with his father, he has been engaged in numerous large business enterprises. He is a member of the Calumet, Macquet and Ardley Clubs, of the Automobile Club of America, Sleepy Hollow Country Club and the Rumson Country Club, of Seabright, N. J.

MET AT BOXING MATCH. He is said to have met Miss Biddle for the first time at Georgian Court, Lakewood, the country house of George Gould, and the story goes that her father was boxing with a professional in Mr. Gould's gymnasium at the time. Gossip adds that Mr. Duke attracted Miss Biddle's admiring remarks by remarking that he did not care for boxing exhibitions, a remark not calculated to please a Biddle.

Miss Biddle is generally liked and she is even popular among girls. She is of an extremely vivacious and affable nature, appears forever smiling and happy and glad to be with whomever she is with, and is kind to everybody. She was the most popular debutante of the season. She made her debut at a dancet given by Mr. and Mrs. Biddle at the Bellevue-Stratford.

Miss Mary L. Duke, sister of Angier Duke, will be maid of honor. The bridesmaids will be Miss Hope T. Beale, Miss Margaret Ellis Scull, Miss Charlotte Harding Brown, Miss Pauline Diston, Miss Ruth Cox and Miss Ellen Yulle, of New York. Little Miss Virginia Thaw, a cousin of the bride, will be flower girl. William Sturgis, of New York, will be best man, and the ushers, Livingston Biddle, uncle of the bride; A. J. Drexel Biddle, her brother; Gustave de Rosa, Italian Consul at Boston, and Edward W. Kane, Philip Boyer, Ernest R. Hudson, Walbridge S. Tatt and Edward E. O'Brien, all of New York. The Rev. Dr. Floyd W. Tompkins, rector of Holy Trinity, will perform the ceremony.

GUESTS FROM MANY CITIES WHO WILL ATTEND WEDDING OF MISS BIDDLE AND A. B. DUKE. Not since the day when Miss Minnie Welch, now Mrs. Archibald Thomson, was married to the late Thomas Thomson in Holy Trinity Church has there been such a crowd in expectation and reality as that which will view the Duke-Biddle wedding today.

FACTS OF BIDDLE WEDDING

The bride, Miss Cordelia Biddle, made her debut last winter. She is 17 years old. The bridegroom, Angier Buchanan Duke, of New York, is 30 years old. He will inherit a fortune of between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000. The wedding will take place at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 19th and Walnut streets, at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The Rev. Dr. Floyd W. Tompkins will perform the ceremony. A reception will follow at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Drexel Biddle, 2104 Walnut street, and that will be followed by a dinner dance for the bridal party at the country house of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brinton Cox at Pennlyn. Mr. Duke's gift to Miss Biddle—A diamond chain of matchless stones, set in platinum; it hangs to the waist and cost a fortune. Gift of Mr. Duke's parents—A string of pearls said to be of "incalculable value." Gift of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Duke—A bracelet of intricate design covered with diamonds.

Mrs. John Drexel, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harriman, Oliver Carley Harriman, Miss Mabel Gerry, Miss Angelica Gerry, Philip O. Mills, S. Frederic Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Townsend Horner, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Munn, Mr. and Mrs. Williamson W. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Dula, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cobb, ex-Judge and Mrs. E. H. Garry, Dr. and Mrs. Preston Satterwhite, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kenshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Bache, Mrs. Arthur Gibb, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hill, James A. Blair, Jr., Ralph Blumer and Cyril Hatch, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lehr will come from Baltimore, and the Drexel and Biddle families here will be represented by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Biddle, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Biddle, Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Biddle, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Childs Drexel, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Van Rensselaer, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Antelo Devereux, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Houston Henry, Dr. and Mrs. Charles B. Penrose, Mrs. Wharton Drexel, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Drexel Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Denokia Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Munn, Dr. and Mrs. Pittsburg have come Mrs. Biddle's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin K. Thaw, and a number of the Bradley relatives.

GUESTS OF THIS CITY. There will be guests also from Boston, Providence, Washington, Palm Beach, Alton and various other places. Some among those from this city who have been invited are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brinton Cox, Mr. and Mrs. William Ellis Scull, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Beale, Mr. and Mrs. James Francis Sullivan, Miss Frances Livingston Sullivan, Miss Leta Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Maybin Hart, Mrs. Cornelia Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore W. Reath, Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Stotesbury, Mr. and Mrs. John Kearley Mitchell, 3d, Mr. and Mrs. George W. B. Roberts, Mrs. George J. Harding, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thompson, Miss Jean Thompson, Miss Virginia Roberts, Miss Cordelia Carter Leidy, Miss Mary Frances Fisher, Miss Jean C. Bullitt, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Middleton Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. William Masters Camac, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Ingersoll, Mr. and Mrs. James Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Y. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. David S. B. Chew, Miss Evelyn Chew, Miss Anna Ingersoll, Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Wright, Dr. and Mrs. James N. Anders, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Massey Drayton, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Evans Roberts, Miss Inez Drayton, Miss Susan B. Ingersoll, Mr. and Mrs. George O. Horwitz, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Leidy, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sturgis Ingersoll, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mercer Biddle, A. Mercer Biddle, Jr., Oliver Eaton Cromwell, Charles Biddle, Mrs. Arthur Biddle, Miss Edith Biddle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles West Churchman, Mrs. Crozer Robinson, Mrs. William B. Churchman, William B. Churchman, Miss A. Beatrice Geylitt, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph M. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Norman MacLeod, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Clay, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pancoast, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hines Johnson, Mrs. Austin S. Hecksher, Miss Anna Massey Hecksher, Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin B. Reath, Mr. and Mrs. George Dallas Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dallas Dixon, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson Spencer, Mrs. Gardner Cassatt, Miss Eugenie Cassatt, Miss Ellen Mary Cassatt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart Wurts, Miss Mary Stuart Wurts, Mrs. James Large, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Meade Large, Miss Isabel Wurts Page, Mrs. Richard Tughman, Miss Gabriella Tughman.

1000 JOIN M. E. SOCIETY. More than 1000 new members have been added to the Women's Home Missionary Society of the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, according to figures given by the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Seymour Eaton, at the quarterly meeting, in the Arch Street M. E. Church, Broad and Arch streets, today. Mrs. Eaton also said that 50 churches are now in the local organization with a total membership of 6000. Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, corresponding secretary of the national society, told of the growth in membership and the increasing activities of the parent body, which now numbers more than 200,000 members.

Following a basket lunch in the church, Miss Winella Stacks delivered an address on "City Problems," in which she told of difficulties met in carrying on home missionary work in cities. The reports of officers were read. It was decided to postpone until July awards of prizes for the best essays on temperance.

DRIVER HURT BY TROLLEY. Motorman Fails to Stop Car When Wagon Crosses Track. George Wardlow, a driver, was badly hurt today when his wagon was struck by a southbound car of the Manayunk division at Green street and Ridge avenue. Through a misunderstanding the motorman failed to stop his car and Wardlow was hurled from his seat half through one of the car windows. He was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital. Wardlow is employed by James Callahan, a plumbers' supply dealer, and lives at 129 Green street. He told the police he tried to avoid the car when it failed to stop at the crossing and attempted to guide his horse north on Ridge avenue. He was badly cut by flying glass and his back is believed to be injured.

ANGIER DUKE'S SISTER REPORTED ENGAGED TO MISS BIDDLE'S BROTHER. The announcement that a second marriage of members of the Biddle and Duke families will take place is expected shortly. Miss Mary L. Duke, sister of Angier Buchanan Duke, is reported to be engaged to A. J. Drexel Biddle, Jr., a brother of Miss Cordelia Biddle. Miss Duke was the maid of honor at the wedding of Mr. Duke and Miss Biddle this afternoon. In March, 1912, she was reported engaged to Prince Ludovic Pignatelli d'Aragone, but this was speedily denied. At the home of A. J. Drexel Biddle the report of the engagement of Miss Duke to his son was neither denied nor confirmed; it was said that no official announcement of the engagement had been made as yet.

BRUMBAUGH OFFERS HELP FOR BALA HOME

Chairman of Campaign Committee Has Governor's Indorsement of Effort to Save Institution.

The campaign to raise \$200,000 to save the Presbyterian Home for Aged Couples and Aged Men, at Bala, from passing out of existence because of lack of support will be given strong impetus today by the arrival of Paul N. Furman, chairman of the campaign committee, who is on his way from Harrisburg with Governor Brumbaugh's official indorsement of the campaign for public subscriptions. The Governor is said to have given his unqualified approval of the project and to have promised to do all in his power to give further State aid if the necessary amount is realized. Two subscriptions of \$100 each were received today from anonymous givers. With only a few days remaining in which to raise the balance needed, the contributions are growing larger in amount, but not in number. Great help is yet needed to save the institution.

This home, which is non-sectarian as regards its residents, is widely known. For 20 odd years it has served a noble purpose in housing old and feeble persons, and in this time it has been supported by private charity. Its residents have so increased in number and the expenses have mounted so considerably of late that \$200,000 is needed to continue its activities. The committee in charge of the campaign receive daily touching tributes to the good work the home is doing. A girl was passing the headquarters on Broad street yesterday when she saw the campaign poster with a picture of two old women and the inscription "God Save Our Home." She stepped into the office and handed a \$5 bill to a committeeman. "The old lady in the picture looks like my grandmother, and I want to help," she said.

CANADIAN MAYOR FINDS PRO-ALLIES SPIRIT IN U. S.

Prominent Commercial Man, Visiting City, Sees Prohibition Gains. Colonel John McKergow, Mayor of Westmont, Quebec, and one of the most prominent business men in Canada, is spending several days in this city. With his wife and daughter he has made a tour of the United States. They are stopping at the Bellevue-Stratford. He was received by Mayor Blankenburg yesterday at the Mayor's office. Colonel McKergow said today that he found the prohibition movement in America progressing rapidly, and he thought the growth of local option sentiment in this State was "a splendid thing."

"No amount of money or influence would enable a man to open a saloon in Westmont," he said. "We have a population of about 20,000. I believe the prohibitionists should also turn their guns on the men who manufacture liquor. Have laws passed forbidding the manufacture of liquors." "In my travels in America I found very little sympathy for Germany. There was much sentiment for the Allies. I believe that the war has just begun."

"The city of which I am mayor is governed by a board of councilmen, composed of five men and also a general manager. The duty of the Councilmen is to make regular reports to the general manager on municipal affairs."



MR. AND MRS. SCHRANDT. They were married today. Fred Schrandt, a policeman, rescued Miss Emily Edder, who became his bride today, in a hotel fire at National Park.

Battleships Leave for Cruise. The battleships Ohio, Wisconsin and Missouri, of the Atlantic reserve fleet, will leave League Island on Sunday for Annapolis, where they will prepare to take the three upper classes of midshipmen for their annual practice cruise. The squadron will leave Annapolis about June 1, and, because of the European war, will confine the cruise to home waters. It will go through the Panama Canal to San Francisco and return.

NEW CHARGES AGAINST ST. JOHN'S RECTOR

Former Vestryman Says Mr. Richmond Called Him 'Thief' and Invited Fight.

Charges that Dr. George Chalmers Richmond, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, called him a "thief" and challenged him to a fist fight in the sacristy of the church, by far the most sensational of the many allegations which have been made against the clergyman by his opponents in the effort to oust him from the pastorate of St. John's Church, will be filed tomorrow before the Church Council of the Diocese of Pennsylvania by Thomas Gale, of 1121 Crease street, one of the vestrymen of the church, who left the parish in 1911 following many disputes with Mr. Richmond. The council of the church will determine whether or not the charges to be made by Mr. Gale are to be amalgamated with others filed previously, which alleged that the Rev. Mr. Richmond had attempted to blackmail the late Bishop Mackay-Smith.

"I will have ample testimony to support my charges," Mr. Gale declared this morning. "The epithet 'thief' was flung at me by Mr. Richmond in a meeting of the vestry in the fall of 1911. There was no basis for his using this particular term. He merely uttered it while in a state of excitement." "His challenge to 'fight me grew out of the fact that a number of Sunday school teachers had become offended by his behavior and had resigned."

"He said that I should go to see them and try to get them to reconsider their decision." "I told him since he was the one who had the 'squabble' he would be a 'moral coward' unless he made an effort to patch up the difficulty." "He became furiously angry, ran round the room in great excitement and finally whipping off his coat, challenged me to a fight."

BOY, HELD FOR THEFT, TRIES DARING ESCAPE

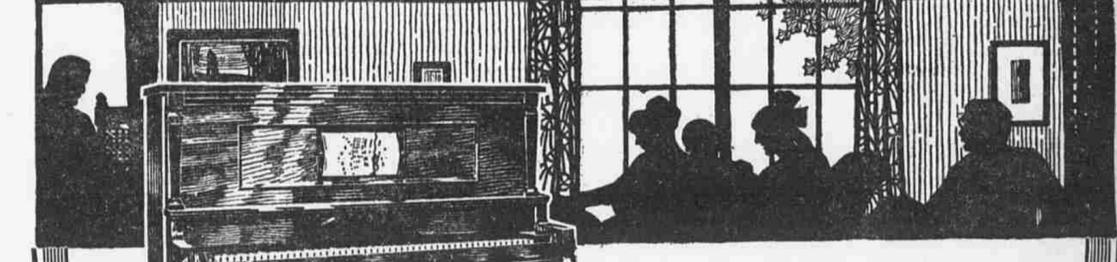
Found Clinging to Wall Under Third-story Window of House of Detention Before Hearing.

Edmund Agger, a 15-year-old boy, clad in knickerbockers, today made a desperate attempt to escape from the House of Detention by climbing down a wall from a third-floor window a few moments before he was arraigned before Judge Gorman in the Juvenile Court, accused of larceny. The boy's mother, with whom he lived, at 84 Leland avenue, made a tearful plea for the lad's liberty, but he was sent to the Roman Catholic reformatory for an indefinite term. Acting as a committing Magistrate, Judge Gorman held Charles S. McNally, a dealer with an establish-

ment at Ridge avenue and Thompson street, under \$500 bail for court on a charge of receiving a portion of several hundred dollars' worth of phonograph records which young Agger, with several companions, was accused of stealing. Agger was arrested by Detectives Le Strange and Beemer, the latter connected with a private detective agency engaged by Market street department stores to run down thieves who have been escaping with large numbers of phonograph records. The lad was implicated in the thefts by three other boys, who were arraigned in the Night Court last Saturday and held for further hearings. They are John Ellis, 16 years old, 851 Perkiomen street; Wesley Clark, 148 Thompson street; Moplan O'Riordan, 17 years old, 10th street and Fairmount avenue, and Paul Peterson, 15, 1527 Marston street.

When attendants at the House of Detention went to search for young Agger he was found underneath a third-story window, clinging to the wall. He said he intended to escape by climbing down the wall. The lad blamed the boys who informed on him as the cause of his downfall.

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